Forest Legacy Federal Grant Program

Reference No:

FY2008 Request:

\$50,000 AMD34881

AP/AL: Appropriation Project Type: Planning

Category: Natural Resources

Location: Statewide Contact: Nico Bus

House District: Statewide Contact Phone: (907)465-2406

Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2007 - 06/30/2008

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

The Forest Legacy Program provides Federal funding for acquisition of high-value private forestland that is threatened with conversion to non-forest use. Legislative intent targets private in-holdings adjacent to, or within, existing conservation units (parks, refuges, etc.) that are primarily used for fish and wildlife habitat, outdoor recreation and traditional access that would be disrupted, destroyed, or degraded if the private properties use were to be converted. This allows State Parks to conserve the land for outdoor recreation opportunities and maximize the of use critical areas for all members of the public.

Funding:	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	Total
Fed Rcpts	\$50,000	\$1,162,500	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$5,212,500
Total:	\$50,000	\$1,162,500	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$5,212,500
☐ State Match Required ☐ One-Time Project ☐ Phased - new ☐ Phased - underway ☑ On-Going							-Going
0% = Minimum State Match % Required ✓ Amendment				Mental Health Bill			
Operating & Maintenance Costs:					Amo	<u>ount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:					0	0	
Ongoing Operating:					0	0	
One-Time Startup:					0		
				Totals:		0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

SLA05/CH3 - \$630,000

SLA04/CH159 \$4,500,000 authorization

SLA03/FY04 RPL ADN#10-4-5002 \$450,000 Diamond Creek Parcel

SLA02/CH1 - \$500,000

SLA01/CH61 - \$500,000 (Language Section 84)

This amendment decreases the anticipated federal funding by \$2,250.0 from what was originally submitted. The State is not expected to receive new projects under this program in FY 08.

Project Description/Justification:

During Fiscal Year 2008 the Forest Legacy program will be completing several projects that have been on-going for up to four years. This funding will allow for the administration of grants and to provide due diligence on the part of the State.

Why these projects are needed now:

A proposal has been made for the 2009 Forest Legacy Program that is a cooperative effort between Parks & Outdoor Recreation, State Forestry, the USDA, US Forest Service, Mat-Su Borough, the University of Alaska Fairbanks and several other small non-profit organizations. These administrative funds will allow for continued work on this proposed project as well as finalizing older projects that will allow this one to go forward.

Specific Spending Detail:

These funds will be used for the on-going grant administration and to provide for the proper land status research and documentation for the existing projects.

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Line Item Expenditures:

Personal Services \$33.0 Travel \$5.0 Services \$10.0 Commodities \$2.0

Project Support, by Applicant:

Natives of Kodiak and Shuyak Natives, Inc./American Land Conservancy and Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, American Land Conservancy, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Kodiak Brown Bear Trust, Pinchot Institute, Kodiak State Parks Citizens Advisory